



# Boldmere Shaggy Dogs

## Newsletter August 2017

Welcome to the August 2017 issue of the Boldmere Shaggy Dogs' Golf Club newsletter.

There was a lot of exciting golf this month. None more so than at the annual stay over which this year was at Hellidon Lakes, golf in a glorious setting and a rather questionable evening meal.

### Medal

On Friday 30 June we played an ordinary medal round off the yellow **Pat Carey** led the field on 59 strokes just ahead of **Dick Chapman** on 60 strokes.

Pos	Name	Gross	H/c	Nett
1	Pat Carey	73	14	59
2	Dick Chapman	74	14	60
3	Dave Docker	78	16	61
4	Les Hamp	80	16	64
5	Trevor Jones	78	14	64
6	Roger Pollard	80	16	64

### Stay Over at Hellidon Lakes



A group of 24 were involved in this year's "away trip". from Sunday 2 July to Monday 3 July. We travelled through some picturesque Warwickshire countryside and villages to the Hellidon Lakes complex near Daventry.

*Left: The picturesque Hellidon Lakes Golf Course*

The hotel had extensive spa facilities as well as the three loops of nine holes golf courses. The ladies relaxed in one of the bar/cafes and/or enjoyed the use of the spa or gym.

Unfortunately, the golfers did not have enough time for an invigorating jacuzzi because the evening dinner beckoned. This proved to be a very enjoyable affair for everyone except the eight who had ordered lamb steaks! Basically, the chef seemed to have forgotten to grill them. **Elizabeth Peers** led the 'revolt' and we were eventually served the cooked steaks – with three nice bottles of complimentary wine. Plus, a donation to the captain's charity. So well done Elizabeth.

*Below: The evening meal at Hellidon Lakes*



A pleasant evening was spent in one of the lounges and then the next morning we enjoyed a hearty buffet breakfast.





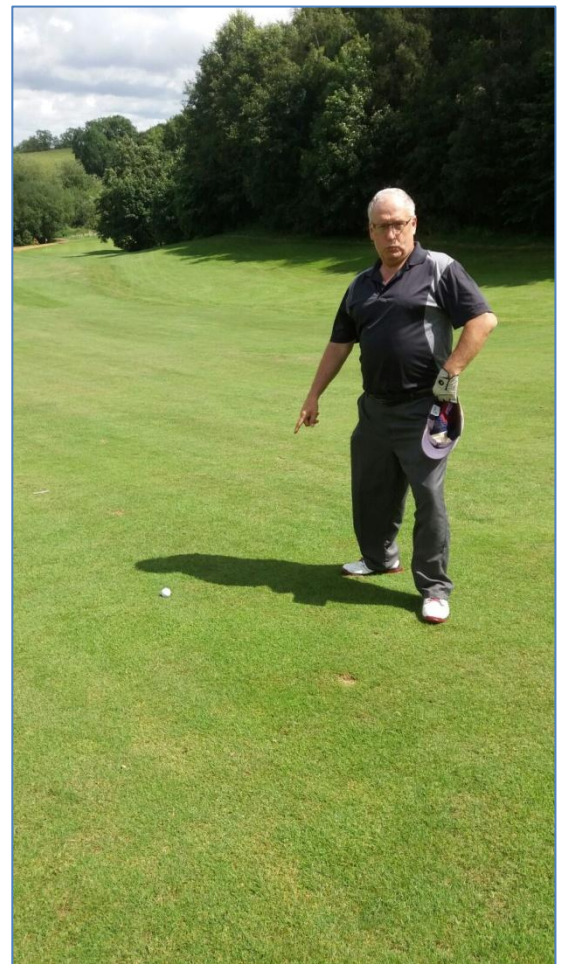
An impromptu game of bowls in the Lounge raised £23 for the Captain's Charity

*Left: Carpet Bowls*

It was good to see **Jeff Jones** join us for the break, showing that he is making a good recovery after his recent operation.

We played the challenging, par 72 championship course on Sunday and Monday. We therefore faced the various lakes on several occasions. There were quite a few 'blind' holes and several steep up and downhill walks.

Trevor Jones was very pleased with one of his downhill drives which was measured at 300 yards! Allegedly.



The 18<sup>th</sup> hole was very impressive. A view across the valley to a green overlooked by the terrace bar full of spectators.

*Below: the 18th green*



### **Hellidon Lakes results**



Left: The Shaggies  
waiting to tee off

## Sunday Golf

Team winners **First Ian Heathcock, John Draper and Steve Betterton**

Individuals **Ian Heathcock** 34points 2<sup>nd</sup> **Michael Nielsen** 33points.

Nearest pin

9<sup>th</sup> **John Draper** given to second **Michael Nielsen**

13<sup>th</sup> **Steve Betterton** given to second **Les Hamp**

18<sup>th</sup> **Roger Pollard** (only one on green!)

## Monday Golf

Texas Scramble winners: - **Rob Peers, Roger Pollard and John Draper.**

Nearest Pin

9<sup>th</sup> **Les Hamp**

13<sup>th</sup> **Roger Pollard** given to second **John Price**

18<sup>th</sup> **Ian Heathcock**

A special award to **Graeme Reid** for striking the pin off the tee on the par 3 18<sup>th</sup> hole.

It is hoped to arrange a visit to another venue in 2018. Suggest Mon/Tues 2/3<sup>rd</sup> July.  
Proposed a change from the Sunday/Monday dates because of venues being 'quieter' during weekdays.

## O'Donnell Pairs

Friday 7 July was our pairs aggregate competition, the O'Donnell Trophy. This is always a tense competition as the aggregate nature of the scoring tends to put pressure on golfers not to let their partner down. **Roger Pollard** and **Doug Corfield** managed to control the pressure best and led the field on 123 strokes, second were the pairing of **Les Hamp** and **John Hughes**.

Pos	Name	Gross	H/c	Nett	Total
1	Roger Pollard	80	16	64	123
	Doug Corfield	76	17	59	
2	Les Hamp	73	16	57	128
	John Hughes	91	20	71	
3	John Firth	78	13	65	129
	Graeme Reid	88	24	64	



## Chairman's Trophy Round 2

On 14 July we played the Chairman's Trophy Round 2. The Chairman's Trophy is a two round stableford competition, with players using the round 1 handicap for both rounds. **Dick Chapman** won round 2 just one point in front of **John Firth** who in turn was just one point in front of **Dave Docker**.

Pos	Name	Points	H/C
1	Dick Chapman	39	14
2	john firth	38	13
3	Dave Docker	37	16
4	John Hughes	34	20
	Trevor Jones	34	15

The clear overall winner over two rounds was a delighted **Trevor Jones** who announced he was going to attend the annual dinner now that he had a trophy to pick up. Second on count back from **Arnie Evans** was **Dave Docker**. It was also good to see **Peter Hart** back with the Shaggy Dogs after a long break. Peter won the stableford competition for players not competing in the Chairman's Trophy.

Pos	Name	Rd1	Rd2	Total
1	Trevor Jones	40	34	74
2	Dave Docker	33	37	70
3	Arnie Evans	39	31	70
4	John Firth	31	38	69

## Boldmere v Pype Hayes

On 19 July we played a home match against local rivals Pype Hayes. Happily Boldmere came out on top 3½ - 2½ with good performances from **Dick Chapman** & **John Price** and **Dave Docker** & **Ian Heathcock**.

	Boldmere	Result
1	Les Hamp	Lost 3 and 2
	Steve Betterton	
2	Jim Dowling	Lost by 2
	Roger Pollard	
3	Arnie Evans	Halved
	Pat Carey	
4	Dick Chapman	Won 4 and 3
	John Price	
5	Stan Osborne	Won 2 and 1
	Michael Nielsen	
6	Dave Docker	Won 4 and 3
	Ian Heathcock	

## Captain's Day

Friday 21 July was Captain's Day and current Captain **Les Hamp** treated the Shaggy Dogs to a wonderful day of golf with prizes galore and a buffet meal. A big thank you from all of us Les.

*Below: Prizes for everyone on Captain's Day*



The main event was a Texas Scramble won by **Dick Chapman, Mike Nielsen** and **Arnie Evans**



*Left:  
Dick Chapman,  
Arnie Evans  
and Michael  
Nielsen receive  
first prize from  
Captain Les  
Hamp*

## Captain's Day Texas Scramble results

Pos	Name
1	Dick Chapman, Mike Nielsen, Arnie Evans
2	Les Hamp, Doug Corfield, Georgr Calder
3	John Firth, Dave Docker, Graeme Reid
4	Jim Dowling, Steve Betterton, John Price
5	Ian Heathcock, John Draper, Tim Rafferty
6	Pat Carey, Roger Pollard, Anthony Burns
7	Trevor Jones, Stan Osborne, John Poultney

### Nearest the pin winners

3rd hole **Stan Osborne**

10th hole **John Price**

18th hole **Dave Docker**

Nearest the white line on the 4th fairway **Les Hamp**

### Putting competition

The putting competition was very competitive with seven players involved in a shoot out for the podium places. The calm nerves of some of our senior golfers won out with **Doug Corfield** claiming first spot, **Dave Docker** second and **Jim Dowling** third.

*Right  
Seven golfers  
reach the shoot  
out for the  
putting  
competition*





## Marston Lakes v Boldmere

On 25 July we played an away match at Marston Lakes and gained a creditable draw with an exciting finish from the last pairing on the 18th hole with **Ian Heathcock** and **Dave Docker** just getting over the line.

	Boldmere	Result
1	Les Hamp	Won 2 and 1
	Arnie Evans	
2	Steve Betterton	Lost 3 and 2
	Graeme Reid	
3	Stan Osborne	Lost 2 and 1
	John Draper	
4	Trevor Jones	Won 2 and 1
	Roger Pollard	
5	John Price	Lost 5 and 4
	Doug Corfield	
6	Ian Heathcock	Won by 1
	Dave Docker	

## Other News

### Coming up:

Monday 31 July 6 Course Challenge at Hatchford Brook.

Wednesday August 2 Darnford Moors Away.

As always, the latest information is available on line at <http://shaggies.wixsite.com/boldmere-shaggy-dogs>

**The committee want to ensure that everyone who wants to play in a match has the chance to do so. Please contact the Captain and let him know which matches you are available for.**

Richard Nicholls Secretary

Boldmere Shaggy Dogs Committee		
Chairman	Arnie Evans	
Vice Chairman	Michael Neilsen	
Captain	Les Hamp	
Vice Captain	Ian Heathcock	
Competition Secretary	Trevor Jones	
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